

**Distance Learning: Transformations of Functions (Math 3 Section 1-2)**

Remember these two parent functions and their graphs from Section 1-1:

Quadratic: $f(x) = x^2$	Absolute Value: $f(x) =  x $
<b>Description:</b> Vertex at (0,0), Opens Up <b>Shape:</b> Start at vertex, move $n$ units right, move $n^2$ up	<b>Description:</b> Vertex at (0,0), Opens Up <b>Slope:</b> $\pm 1$

Transformations of the Parent Function Graphs
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>When there is a number added or subtracted inside the function, that is a left/right translation (slide) in the opposite direction.</li> <li>When there is a number added or subtracted outside the function, that is an up/down translation (slide) in the correct direction.</li> <li>When there is a number multiplied by the function, the sign indicates which way it opens (up or down) and the number indicates a vertical stretch (if the number is greater than 1) or a vertical compression (if the number is less than 1).</li> </ol>

Examples: Graph the following transformations of the two parent functions.

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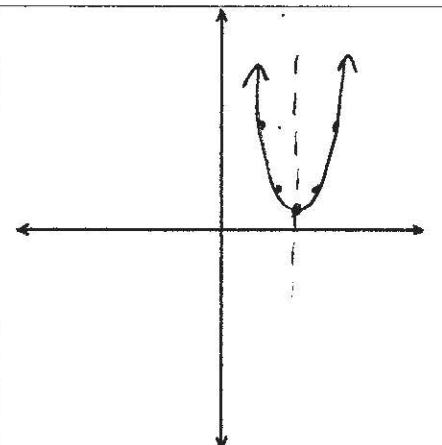
$$y = (x - 4)^2 + 1$$

4R

1U

Same shape  
as parent

parabola



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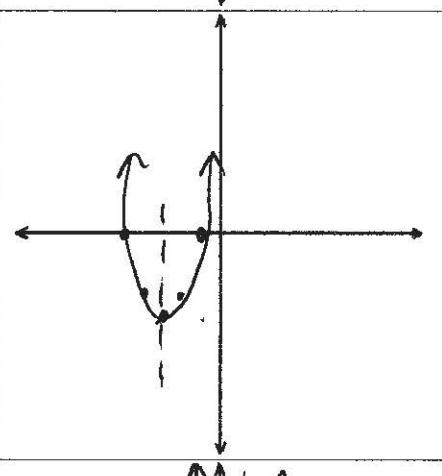
$$y = (x + 3)^2 - 4$$

3L

4D

Same shape  
as parent

parabola



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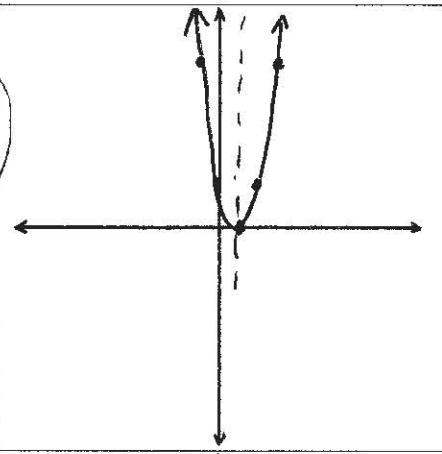
$$y = 2(x - 1)^2$$

1R

Vert stretch x 2

From vertex: move n right  
and  $2(n^2)$  up

parabola 2



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$$y = -(x + 2)^2 - 3$$

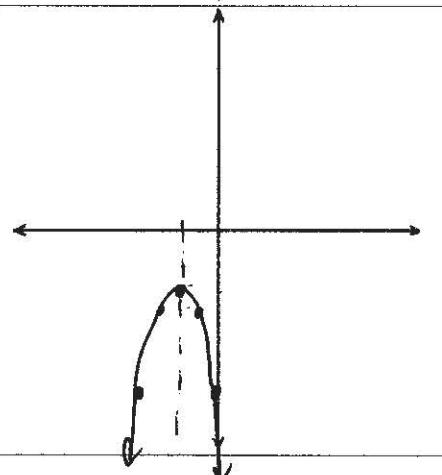
2L

3D

opens down

same shape  
as parent

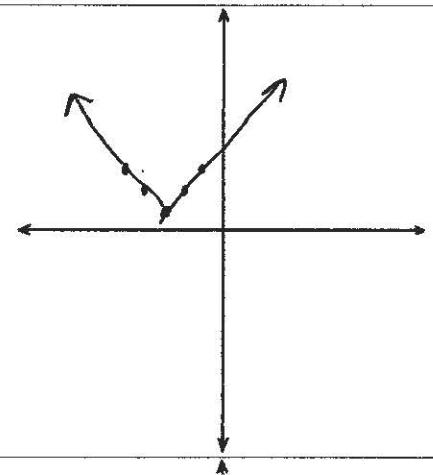
parabola



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$$y = |x + 3| + 1$$

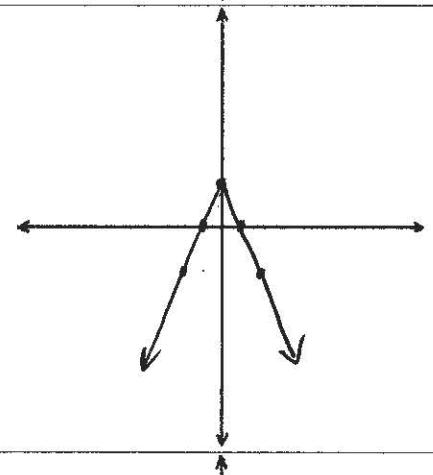
3L  
 1U  
 "V"  
 $M = \pm 1$   
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$$y = -2|x| + 2$$

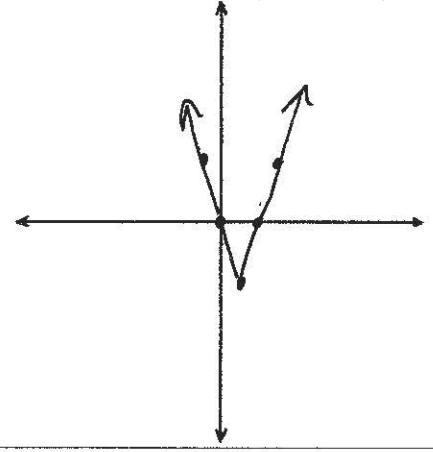
2U  
 { opens down  
 $M = \pm 2$   
 "V"



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$$y = 3|x - 1| - 3$$

1R  
 3D  
 { opens up  
 $M = \pm 3$   
 "V"



#### Vertex Form of the Parent Functions

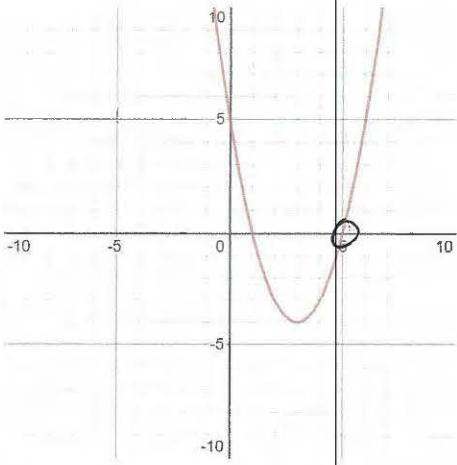
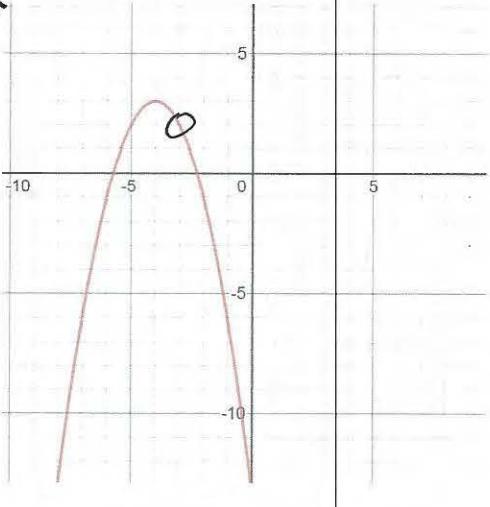
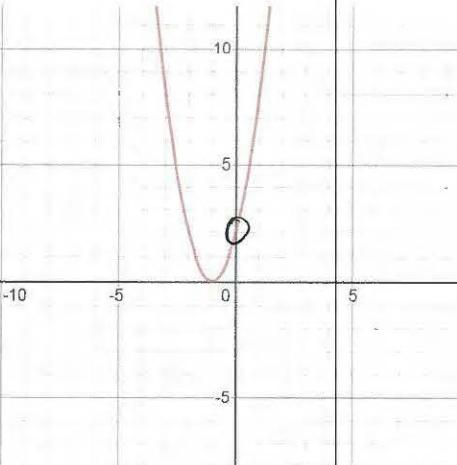
##### Quadratic Parent Function

$$y = a(x - h)^2 + k$$

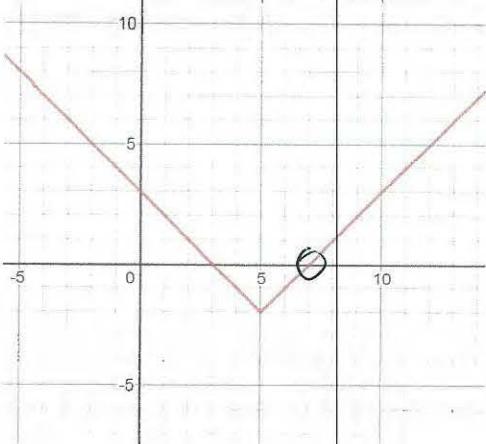
##### Absolute Value Parent Function

$$y = a|x - h| + k$$

Examples: Determine the Equation of Each Function Graphed Below

Number	Graph	Equation
1		$\text{vertex: } (h, k)$ $\text{vertex: } (3, -4)$ <p>point on graph  <math>(5, 0)</math>          (pick any point + plug in for <math>x</math> &amp; <math>y</math> to solve for <math>a</math>)</p> $0 = a(5-3)^2 - 4$ $0 = a(2)^2 - 4$ $0 = 4a - 4$ $4 = 4a$ $1 = a$ $\boxed{y = 1(x-3)^2 - 4}$
2		$\text{vertex: } (h, k)$ $\text{vertex: } (-4, 3)$ <p>point on graph  <math>(-3, 2)</math></p> $y = a(x-h)^2 + k$ $2 = a(-3+4)^2 + 3$ $2 = a(1)^2 + 3$ $2 = a + 3$ $-1 = a$ $\boxed{y = -1(x+4)^2 + 3}$
3		$\text{vertex: } (h, k)$ $\text{vertex: } (-1, 0)$ <p>point on graph:  <math>(0, 2)</math></p> $y = a(x-h)^2 + k$ $2 = a(0+1)^2 + 0$ $2 = a(1)^2$ $2 = a$ $\boxed{y = 2(x+1)^2}$

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Vertex:  $(h, k)$ Point on graph:  
 $(7, 0)$ 

$$y = a|x-h| + k$$

$$0 = a|7-5| + -2$$

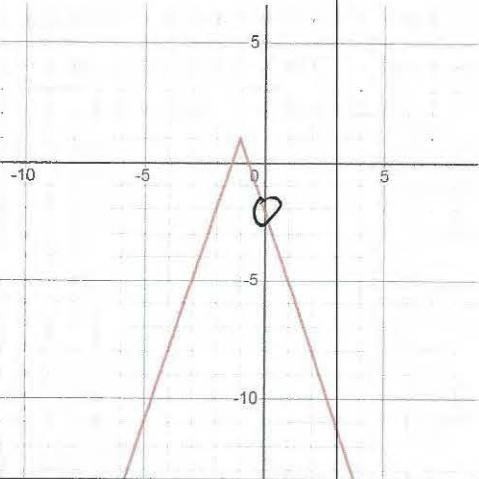
$$0 = a(2) - 2$$

$$0 = 2a - 2$$

$$2 = 2a \\ 1 = a$$

$$y = 1|x-5|-2$$

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Vertex:  $(h, k)$ Point on Graph:  
 $(0, -2)$ 

$$y = a|x-h| + k$$

$$-2 = a|0+1| + 1$$

$$-2 = a(1) + 1$$

$$-2 = a + 1$$

$$-3 = a$$

$$y = -3|x+1| + k$$

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A parabola with:

Vertex:  $(3, 7)$  and goes through the point  $(4, 10)$   
 $h \downarrow k$ 

$$y = 3(x-3)^2 + 7$$

$$y = a(x-h)^2 + k$$

$$10 = a(4-3)^2 + 7$$

$$10 = a(1) + 7$$

$$10 = a + 7$$

$$a = 3$$

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A parabola with:

Vertex:  $(-6, -5)$  and goes through the point  $(-4, -9)$   
 $h \downarrow k$ 

$$y = -1(x+6)^2 - 5$$

$$y = a(x-h)^2 + k$$

$$-9 = a(-4+6)^2 + -5$$

$$-9 = a(4) - 5$$

$$-4 = 4a$$

$$-1 = a$$

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An absolute value function with:

Vertex:  $(-5, 5)$  and goes through the point  $(-4, 3)$   
 $h \downarrow k$ 

$$y = -2|x+5| + 5$$

$$y = a|x-h| + k$$

$$3 = a|-4+5| + 5$$

$$3 = a(1) + 5$$

$$-2 = a$$